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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

Docket No. DOT-NHTSA-2012-0029

Request for Comments of a Previously Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), this notice announces that the Information Collection Request (ICR) abstracted below is being forwarded to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and comments. A Federal Register Notice with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments on the following information collection was published on March 19, 2012, 77 FR 16115.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before **[Insert date 30 days after the date of publication in the FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Michael Pyne, Office of Rulemaking (NVS-123), Department of Transportation,
1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590, (202) 366-4171.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: 49 CFR 571.403, Platform lift systems for motor vehicles and 49 CFR 571.404, Platform lift installations in motor vehicles.

OMB Control Number: 2127-0621

Type of Request: Renewal of a previously approved information collection

Abstract:

FMVSS No. 403, Platform lift systems for motor vehicle, establishes minimum performance standards for platform lifts designed for installation on motor vehicles. Its purpose is to prevent injuries and fatalities to passengers and bystanders during the operation of platform lifts that assist wheelchair users and other persons with limited mobility in entering and leaving a vehicle.

FMVSS No. 404, Platform lift installations in motor vehicles, places specific requirements on vehicle manufacturers or alterers who install platform lifts in new vehicles. Under these regulations, lift manufacturers must certify that their lifts meet the requirements of FMVSS No. 403 and must declare the certification on the owner's manual insert, the installation instructions and the lift operating instruction label. Certification of compliance with FMVSS No. 404 is on the certification label already required of vehicle manufacturers and alterers under 49 CFR part 567. Therefore, lift manufacturers must produce an insert that is placed in the vehicle owner's manual, installation instructions and one or two labels that are placed near the controls of the lift. The requirements and our estimates of burden and cost to the lift manufacturers are given below. There is no burden to the general public.

Respondents: Platform lift manufacturers and vehicle manufacturers/alterers that install platform lifts in new motor vehicles before first vehicle sale.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

Estimated Total Annual Burden:

Estimated burden to lift manufacturers to produce an insert for the vehicle owner's manual stating the lift's platform operating volume, maintenance schedule, and instructions regarding the lift operating procedures:

--10 manufacturers x 24 hrs. amortized over 5 yrs. = 48 hrs. per year.

Estimated burden to lift manufacturers to produce lift installation instructions identifying the vehicles on which the lift is designed to be installed:

--10 manufacturers x 24 hrs. amortized over 5 yrs. = 48 hrs. per year.

Estimated burden to lift manufacturers to produce two labels for operating and backup lift operation:

--10 manufacturers x 24 hrs. amortized over 5 yrs. = 48 hrs. per year.

Estimated burden to lift manufacturers to produce two labels for operating and backup lift operation:

--10 manufacturers x 24 hrs. amortized over 5 yrs. = 48 hrs. per year.

Estimated cost to lift manufacturers to produce:

--Label for operating instructions--27,398 lifts x \$0.13 per label =
\$3,561.74.

--Label for backup operations--27,398 lifts x \$0.13 per label =
\$3,561.74.

--Owner's manual insert--27, 398 lifts x \$0.04 per page x 1 page =
\$1,095.92.

--Installation instructions--27,398 lifts x \$0.04 per page x 1 page =
\$1,095.92.

Note: Although lift installation instructions are considerably more than one page, lift manufacturers already provide lift installation instructions in the normal course of business and one additional page should be adequate to allow the inclusion of FMVSS specific information.

Total estimated annual cost = \$9,315.32.

Total estimated hour burden per year = 144 hours.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 10.

ADDRESSES: Send comments regarding the burden estimate, including suggestions for reducing the burden, to the Office of Management and Budget, Attention: Desk Officer for the Office of the Secretary of Transportation, 725 17th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20503.

Comments are invited on: whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Department, including whether the information will

have practical utility; the accuracy of the Department's estimate of the burden of the proposed information collection; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information to be collected; and ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

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AUTHORITY: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995; 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended; and 49 CFR 1.48.

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